Entire Connection User Manual

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Introduction

ENTIRE CONNECTION for Windows is used by the Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) to provide report printing and downloading capabilities from on-line Natural applications, such as the Financial Accounting Management Information System (FAMIS). ENTIRE CONNECTION offers users the following features:

Data Download / Print Using ENTIRE CONNECTION, the user can download and

print financial information from FAMIS.

3270 Terminal Emulation The emulation features of ENTIRE CONNECTION may be

used to access any application that uses the IBM 3270 method for screen display. Therefore this product could be used to access TAMU Resources such as FAMIS, SIMS, NOTIS, or ACCESS. However, only the connection to FAMIS will be covered in this manual.

Why Entire Connection?

ENTIRE CONNECTION has been chosen because of its capability to work the NATURAL, the programming language used to write FAMIS and because it uses NATURAL security.

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Basic Concepts – Entire Connection

Entire Connection is a microcomputer product of Software AG that provides report printing and downloading capabilities from FAMIS.

While Entire Connection has many features, it is not the primary choice for terminal emulation when using FAMIS. Hummingbird (a separate product available from the CIS at TAMU) is the software of choice for frequent use of FAMIS. Entire Connection is offered as an adjunct product as it does report printing to a local printer and downloads data more effectively.

To give the complete picture, most FAMIS users logon to FAMIS using Hummingbird for terminal emulation. A select number of users will also want to have Entire Connection to augment the times that downloads and printing to a local printer is required.

Features of Entire Connection include:

3270 Terminal Emulation to use FAMIS screens

Data Download/Print from designated FAMIS screens.

This manual details the FAMIS screens that are coded with the ability to download and/or print data from FAMIS using Entire Connection.

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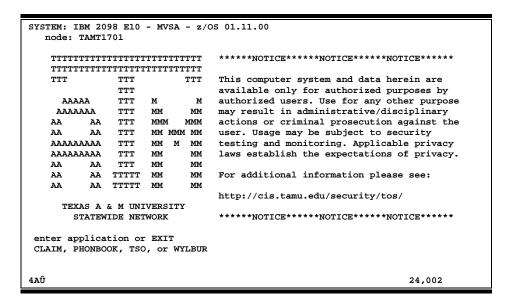
Section II Moving Around Entire Connection

Open and Close Entire Connection Session

To establish communication with the host environment, the terminal emulation must be activated. This is done by performing the following instructions:

- 1. Choose **Session** from the ENTIRE CONNECTION menu bar.
- 2. Choose Open.

The Terminal Emulation Screen will fill the application window. A sample of an active terminal emulation window is shown below:



At this point you logon and use FAMIS functionality as you would from Hummingbird or any other terminal emulator that is properly configured. You should contact the training/security officer for your TAMUS Member if you need training with using FAMIS. A list of the Security Officers is available on the FAMIS Services website:

http://www.tamus.edu/offices/famis/

Quit Entire Connection

To close your TPX / FAMIS Session, you should:

- 1. Choose **Session** from the ENTIRE CONNECTION menu bar.
- 2. Choose Close.

To exit from Entire Connection, you should:

- 1. Choose **Session** from the ENTIRE CONNECTION menu bar.
- 2. Choose Exit.

Section III FAMIS Entire Connection Menus / Screens

Entire Connection Screens by Menu

ENTIRE CONNECTION functionality is available in the FAMIS modules of FRS, SPR, and FFX. All FAMIS screens with Entire Connection functionality perform similarly. There may be different pop-up windows depending on the data that you are asking to print or download.

FRS

In FRS, the Main Menu directs you to two ENTIRE CONNECTION menus.

Menu 001 - FRS Main Menu

```
001 FRS Main Menu
                                                                      06/13/08 14:59
                                                                       FY 2008 CC 02
  Screen: ___ Account: __
                                                  FAMIS APPLICATION
                    Active Processing Month: 6 June
    * ---- Financial Accounting ---- * * ------- Purchasing ------ * M01 Account Information M20 Purchasing System Menu
    M01 Account Information
    M02 FA Transactions
                                            * ---- Routing and Approval ---- *
    M03 Inquiry - Dollar Information M90 Routing and Approval Menu
        Entire Connection Print

Departmental Blancing Rudgets

M70 Payroll System Menu

* ----- Other Menus -----

M58 Budget Preparation Module

B01 Bulletin Poord
    M05 Support Accounting
                                            * ----- Payroll ----- *
                                             * ----- Other Menus ----- *
    M09 Entire Connection Print
                                             S01 FA/AP System Tables
    * ----- * Accounts Payable ----- *
                                             S02 Miscellaneous Tables
   M10 Accounts Payable System Menu S03 Miscellaneous Tables Continued
    M21 Vendor Information Menu
                                             AFR Annual Financial Reporting
    FFX Fixed Assets Module
* ---- Accounts Receivable ---- * GCP General Construction Projects
    M61 Accounts Receivable
                                            SPR Sponsored Research Module
Enter-PF1---PF3---PF4---PF5---PF6---PF7---PF8---PF10--PF11--PF12---
      Hmenu Help EHelp
                                     Pers SOR
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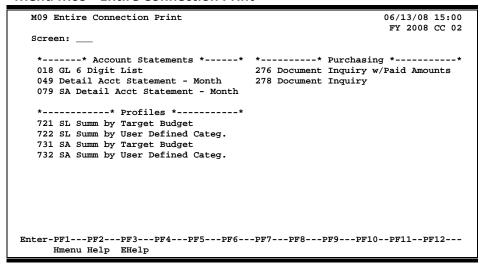
Menu M08 displays the screens that provide **DOWNLOAD** capabilities. On each of the screens listed below you will find a PF key to use to initiate the download.

Menu M08 - Entire Connection Download

```
M08 Entire Connection Download
                                                                        06/13/08 15:00
                                                                         FY 2008 CC 02
   *----* Accounts *----* *----* Batch *----*
  029 Account Search 027 FA Trans Inquiry by Batch 068 Support Account Search 127 AP Trans Inquiry by Batch 018 GL 6 Digit List 627 AR Trans Inquiry by Batch 019 SL 6 Digit List W Category Totals 069 SA 11 Digit File 7 2 2
   069 SA 11 Digit List W Category Total
                                              *----* Flags *----*
                                              805 Maintain GL Control Description
   *----* Transactions *----* 806 Maintain SL Subcode Description
                                             860 Department Table Maintenance
   023 Trans Inquiry by Account
   046 Trans for Month By Refer.
   047 Trans Inquiry on Reference
   048 Trans Inquiry Acct/Sbcd/Mon
   063 Trans Inquiry by SA
   080 Inquiry by Subcode
   081 Detail Trans by Subcode
Enter-PF1---PF2---PF3---PF4---PF5---PF6---PF7---PF8---PF9---PF10--PF11--PF12---
      Hmenu Help EHelp
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Menu M09 displays screens that can be used to **PRINT** the desired data. On each of the screens listed below you will find a PF key to use to initiate the download.

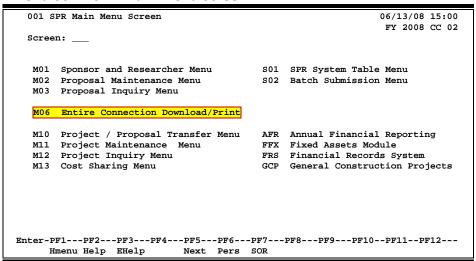
Menu M09 - Entire Connection Print



SPR

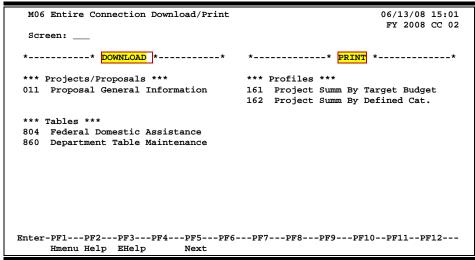
In SPR, there is one ENTIRE CONNECTION menu noted on the Main Menu

Menu 001 - SPR Main Menu Screen



In SPR, **Menu M06** lists the screens that can be used to either **download or print** data pertaining to research activity. On each of the screens listed below you will find a PF key to use to initiate the download or print function.

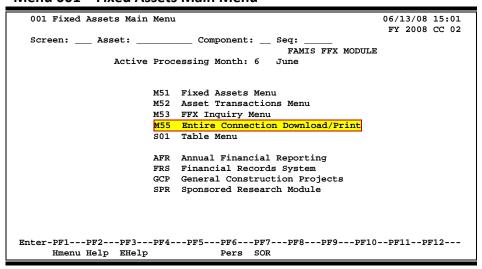
Menu M06 - Entire Connection Download/Print



FFX

In FFX, there is one ENTIRE CONNECTION menu noted on the Main Menu

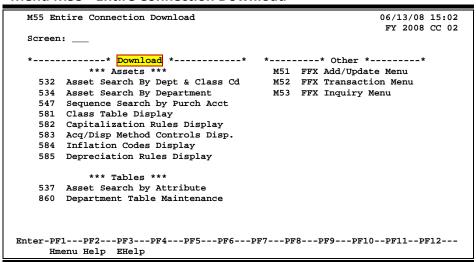
Menu 001 - Fixed Assets Main Menu



Entire Connection Screens by Menu (cont'd)

In FFX, **Menu M55** lists the screens that can be used to either download or print data pertaining to inventory activity. On each of the screens listed below you will find a PF key to use to initiate the download.

Menu M55 - Entire Connection Download



Entire Connection Screens List

Download Screens

Accounts (FRS)

- 029 Account Search
- 068 Support Account Search
- 018 GL 6 Digit List
- 019 SL 6 Digit List W Category Totals
- 069 SA 11 Digit List W Category Total

Assets (FFX)

- 532 Asset Search By Dept & Class Cd
- 534 Asset Search By Department
- 547 Sequence Search by Purch Acct
- 581 Class Table Display
- 582 Capitalization Rules Display
- 583 Acq/Disp Method Controls Disp.
- 584 Inflation Codes Display
- 585 Depreciation Rules Display

Batch (FRS)

- 027 FA Trans Inquiry by Batch
- 127 AP Trans Inquiry by Batch
- 627 AR Trans Inquiry by Batch

Flags (FRS)

- 805 Maintain GL Control Description
- 806 Maintain SL Subcode Description
- 860 Department Table Maintenance

Projects/Proposals (SPR)

011 Proposal General Information

Tables (FFX)

- 537 Asset Search by Attribute
- 860 Department Table Maintenance

Tables (SPR)

- 804 Federal Domestic Assistance
- 860 Department Table Maintenance

Transactions (FRS)

- Trans Inquiry by Account
 Trans for Month By Refer.
 Trans Inquiry on Reference
- 048 Trans Inquiry Acct/Sbcd/Mon
- 063 Trans Inquiry by SA
- 080 Inquiry by Subcode
- 081 Detail Trans by Subcode

Transactions (FFX)

- 537 Asset Search by Attribute
- 860 Department Table Maintenance

Print Screens

Account Statements (FRS)

- 018 GL 6 Digit List
- 049 Detail Acct Statement Month
- 079 SA Detail Acct Statement Month

Profiles (FRS)

- 721 SL Summ by Target Budget
- 722 SL Summ by User Defined Categ.
- 731 SA Summ by Target Budget
- 732 SA Summ by User Defined Categ.

Profiles (SPR)

- 161 Project Summ By Target Budget
- 162 Project Summ By Defined Cat.

Purchasing (FRS)

- 276 Document Inquiry w/ Paid Amounts
- 278 Document Inquiry

Download Screen Information

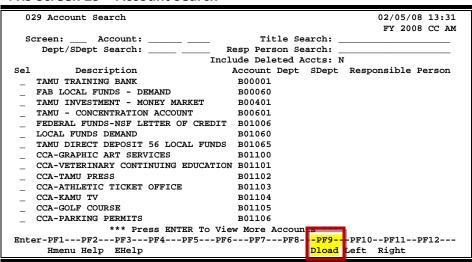
All FAMIS screens with Entire Connection functionality perform similarly. You can see which screens are available with download in the Menu/Screen section of this manual.

For each available download, there may be different pop-up windows that display depending on the type of data that you are asking to download. A couple of examples will illustrate.

Screen 29 in FRS – Account Search

Screen 29 (Account Search) is the first screen in FRS listed on the Entire Connection download menu (M08). Note that PF9 is labeled with "Dload" which means you use that key for Entire Connection downloads. The PF9 key on the screen is the F9 key on most keyboards.

FRS Screen 29 – Account Search



Each screen listed on the Entire Connection menus displays the PF9 key to indicate the download or print capability.

Warning Screen Displays

When you press the PF9 key to activate a download or print, a pop-up window displays letting you know that you must be logged in using Entire Connection for the functionality to work properly. If you are logged in using Entire Connection, press <Enter> otherwise press PF4 to cancel the action.

Example from Screen 29 in FRS - Account Search

This feature is only available with Entire
Connection. If you are not currently running
Entire Connection, press PF4 to cancel this
request or press (Enter) to continue.

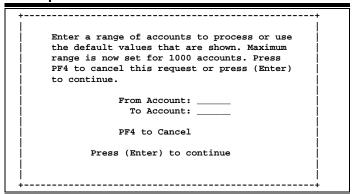
PF4 to Cancel
Press (Enter) to continue

Pop-up Windows for Criteria

Each FAMIS screen contains different data to be printed or downloaded, so each may have a different pop-up window that allows you to enter the criteria that you need.

In this example using Screen 29, the pop-up window allows you to enter a range of accounts. You will notice that the maximum for this download is 1000 accounts, so you may need to give various ranges to get the complete set of data you wish to retrieve.

Example from Screen 29 in FRS – Account Search



Pop-up Window for Expected Results

In this example, the desired account range contains 163 records. This window calculates the number of records and displays the total for you. To proceed, press the <Enter> key or to press the PF4 key to cancel.

Example from Screen 29 in FRS - Account Search

Screen 46 in FRS – Transaction Inquiry by Account

Note that Screens 23, 46, 47, and 48 download accounting transactions. These screens display transactions in several different formats. However, the information downloaded from these screens is identical, regardless of which screen is used.

FRS Screen 46 – Transactions for a Month by Reference Number 2 or 4

05/08 10:49 2008 CC AM :				
Offset Acct				
270620 0496				
270620 5511				
270620 0435				
270620 0499				
270620 0435				
270620 0496				
270620 5511				
270620 0499				
270620 5511				
270620 0496				
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270620 0496				
Enter-PF1PF2PF3PF4PF5PF6PF7PF8PF9PF10PF11PF12				
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Basic Steps

- Advance to one of the download account transactions screens.
- Enter valid data in the Action Line and press <ENTER> to display the data.
- Press PF9 to initiate the download process, and press <ENTER>.

Some of the Entire Connection Download screens use Dload key as PF8.

- On the Download Data pop-up window, enter a file name, file type, and select a directory where the data should be saved.
- Press the OK button to start the data transfer.
- Press <ENTER> to complete the download.
- Advance to one of the download account transactions screens.

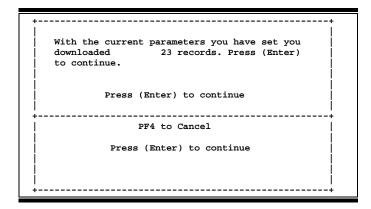
Download Process

When the Download Data pop up window displays, you enter the information about where to save the downloaded data. You need to specify a path and file name where you would like the download file to be located.

Notes for Saving the Download Data:

- 1. In the **Save In**: find and choose the folder/directory where the file is to be saved.
- 2. Type the name you want for the download file in the File Name: box.
- 3. Select a file type from the **Save as Type:** drop down box.
- 4. Click on **Download** button to begin the download.

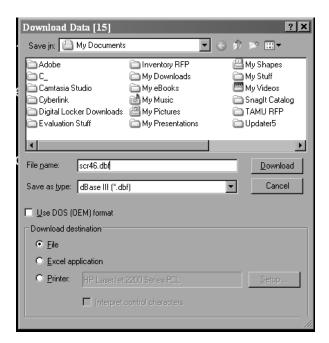
The next screen tells you how many records will be transferred to the filename you have chosen. If this is correct, press <ENTER> to continue, or PF4 to cancel the download.



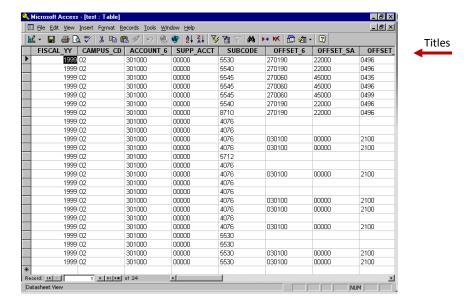
Common File Types – (DBF) and (XLS)

Selecting the **.DBF format is recommended** if you want to keep the column headings for your downloaded data. This file type includes the <u>titles</u>. Then if you want the titles in an Excel spreadsheet, then import the database file into Excel. If the spreadsheet format is chosen, the data is downloaded <u>without</u> the column headings.

(DBF) Database File Download:

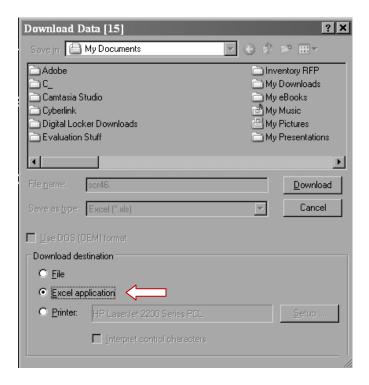


Example of data downloaded into a .DBF format and imported into Microsoft Access:



Excel File Download:

Note the bullet "Excel application" - by choosing this bullet, the download process opens Excel and displays the data in the application.

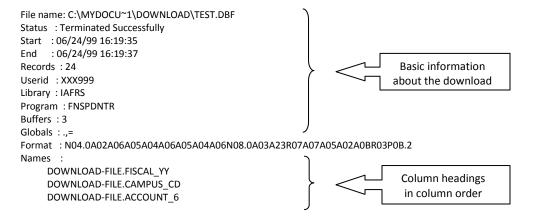


Excel opens and places the data in the spreadsheet. You can then manipulate it and save it as you normally use Excel.

The .NCF File

Each download creates two files: the one you name with the extension (.dbf or .xls) and an .NCF file. The .NCF file is created in the same directory as your downloaded data file. For example, if you download **screen29.dbf**, ENTIRE CONNECTION will create **screen29.ncf** describing the download.

The .NCF file contains information about the download procedures, including the name of the file download file, the date and time of the download, and the download status. The following shows a partial example of an .NCF file:



Download Field Descriptions

Using Screen 23 as an example of data downloaded through ENTIRE CONNECTION, the following shows a list of fields created using the .DBF file format.

As you can see, the column headers on the download file closely match the field names on the screen. So if you see a column header that you don't recognize, check the screen that is the origin of the data. You should be able to match the field and header.

Selecting this format type will create the titles shown in the column on the right. For example:

Fiscal Year: 4 digits FISCAL_YY

Indicates the fiscal year of the selected transaction.

Campus Code: 2 digits CAMPUS_CD

Identifies the <u>TAMUS member</u> that owns the account.

Account: 6 digits ACCOUNT 6

Identifies the account number.

Support Account: 5 digits SUPP_ACCT

Identifies the Support Account number selected.

Download Screen Information (cont'd)

Subcode: 4 digits SUBCODE

If the account downloaded is a GL account, this field will contain the <u>GL Account Control</u>. If the account is an SL account, this field will contain the revenue or expense

Object Code.

6-Digit Offset 6 digits

Account: Identifies the <u>offsetting account</u> for direct double-sided

transactions.

Offset Support 5 digits OFFSET_SA

Account: Identifies the <u>offsetting support account</u> for direct

double-sided transactions.

Offset Subcode: 4 digits OFFSET_4

 $\label{eq:continuous} \mbox{Identifies the } \underline{\mbox{offsetting subcode}} \mbox{ for direct double-sided}$

transactions.

Batch Reference: 6 characters/digits BATCH_REF

Identifies the batch reference used to enter the

transaction.

Batch Date: 8 digits (yyyymmdd) BATCH_DT

Identifies the date the batch was processed. This is the

official accounting effective date.

Transaction Code: 3 digits TRANS_CODE

Specifies <u>code for transaction</u> as budget, receipt, disbursement, or encumbrance. For example:

02 = Budget Transactions

03 = Receipts 04 = Disbursements 06 = Journal Entries

Transaction 35 characters TRANS_DESC

Description: Detailed <u>description for the transaction</u>.

Reference 1: 7 characters/digits REF_1

<u>System defined reference number</u> used primarily to reference an encumbrance. Examples include: Purchase

Order numbers and salary encumbrances.

Reference 2: 7 characters/digits **REF_2**

<u>System defined reference number</u>. Refers to the originating document. Examples include: Voucher

Number.

Reference 3: 7 characters/digits **REF_3**

System defined reference number. Usually blank.

OFFSET_6

Download Screen Information (cont'd)

Reference 4: 7 characters/digits REF_4

<u>User defined reference number</u> (usually the

departmental reference number).

Cost Reference 1: 7 characters/digits COST_REF_1

User defined reference number.

Cost Reference 2: 7 characters/digits COST_REF_2

User defined reference number.

Cost Reference 3: 7 characters/digits COST_REF_3

User defined reference number.

Bank Number: 5 digits BANK_NBR

Identifies the <u>bank</u> used on the transaction.

Processing Month: 2 digits PROCESS_MM

Shows the month of the fiscal year in which the

<u>transaction was processed</u>. For example: September =

01, January = 05.

Vendor ID: 11 digits VENDOR_ID

Identifies the <u>vendor</u> associated with the transaction.

Budget Amount: 13 digits (11 digits + 2 decimal places) BUDGET

The <u>amount this transaction changes the budget</u> for the

account.

Actual Amount: 13 digits (11 digits + 2 decimal places) ACTUAL

The <u>actual amount</u> this transaction changed revenue (object codes <1000) or expense (object codes >1000).

Encumbrance 13 digits (11 digits + 2 decimal places)

Amount: The <u>amount</u> this transaction changed the currently

encumbered amount for this account.

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Print Screen Information

Screen information can also be printed on your local printer using ENTIRE CONNECTION. Screens on Menu M09 provide print capability using ENTIRE CONNECTION. Note that while logged into FAMIS through ENTIRE CONNECTION, you may not use "print screen" button on your keyboard.

The PF9 key (on most keyboards) has been designated as the key to use for Entire Connection Print capability.

In the following example, Screen 49 is used to display the transactions posted against a Subsidiary Ledger (SL) account in any given month.

49 Detail Account Statement For A Month 02/15/08 09:22 IMAGE ANALYSIS SERVICE CENTER FY 2008 CC 02 Screen: ___ Account: 271060 Month: 9_ Ref: 4 Rev/Exp: E Page: 1__ Of 2 Sales or Date Description Budget Expenses Encumbrances 09/01 Balance Forward 09/01 OPER & MAINT 70,000.00 09/24 Transportation Serv 09/24 SPECTRA-PHYSICS LAS 11025 9,500.00-09/01 CARL ZEISS MICROIMA 17999 19,350.00 09/24 CARL ZEISS MICROIMA 17999 19,350.00-09/01 PRAXAIR-Liquid nitr 3366149 09/01 PRAXAIR-Liquid Nitr 3366149 64.81-09/01 IVG*INV-Dye for Ima 0733898 692.00-09/01 EMD CHE-nonhazardou 0733898 131.00-64.81 09/26 PRAXAIR-Liquid nitr 3366149 09/26 PRAXAIR-Liquid Nitr 3366149 64.81 09/26 IVG*INV-Dye for Ima 0733898 692.00 * Continued on next page * Enter-PF1---PF2---PF3---PF4---PF5---PF6---PF7---PF8---PF7---PF8-<mark>-PF9---</mark>PF10--PF11--PF12---Bkwd Fwrd <mark>Print</mark> Left Right Hmenu Help EHelp

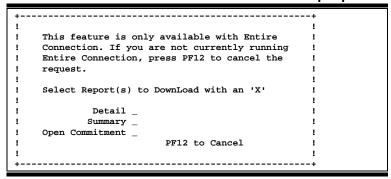
Screen 49 - Detail Account Statement for a Month

The account statement is either a revenue or expense statement, depending on the value of the Rev/Exp: flag. To get both revenue and expense statements, enter "R" or "E" and print once for each type.

Basic Steps

- Advance to Screen 49.
- Enter a valid account number and press <ENTER> to display account information.
- To properly print the data, you may need to make selections:
 - Select the printer to be used for printing the report.
 - o Paper orientation should be LANDSCAPE.
 - Select a fixed pitch font such as LINE PRINTER or COURIER NEW and 8 points or smaller to accommodate 132 characters across the width of the page.
- Press PF9 to print.
- Type 'X' beside your choice for the report (Detail, Summary or Open Commitment) and press <ENTER>.

Screen 49 - Account Statement with Print - Pop-Up Window



The requested data will print to the printer.

Printer Setup

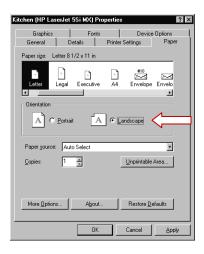
Before using ENTIRE CONNECTION to print account information from FAMIS screens, certain settings must be made to print the data properly on your printer. These selections need to accommodate printing 132 characters across the width of the page.

Print Manager or Printer Settings

For assistance with your printer settings, contact your computer administrator.

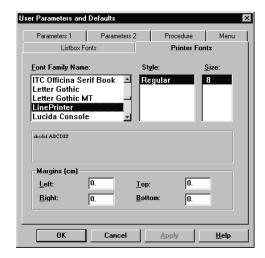
These items may or may not be helpful to the current set up.

1. Following the directions for your particular printer and computer's operating system, select LANDSCAPE orientation:



After you have printed the selected report(s), don't forget to change your printer's orientation back to PORTRAIT orientation after you exit ENTIRE CONNECTION.

- 2. Make sure a fixed pitch font has been selected before printing the report.
 - Select Profiler from the ENTIRE CONNECTION menu bar.
 - Click on User
 - Select the User ID for your ENTIRE CONNECTION session and click on Modify
 - Select the Printer Fonts tab and select either LinePrinter or Courier New and make sure the size is 8 points or smaller. Click on OK to save these settings.



Section IV Purchase and Installation Notes

Hardware/Software Requirements

ENTIRE CONNECTION is a product of Software AG. The Texas A&M University System has established a license agreement with Software AG of North America, Inc. for use of ENTIRE CONNECTION on TAMUS computers. Under the terms of that agreement, TAMUS must pay Software AG for each copy we use. TAMUS also agrees to provide its own technical support.

In order to use Entire Connection, each TAMUS Member must have an installation coordinator who is responsible for software installation, license tracking and support.

Purchase Information

Entire Connection is available through the TAMU CIS Software Evaluation and Loan Library (SELL) office at \$50 for each copy/user. You only need to send the number of CDs that are needed to perform the installation. The same CD can be used for multiple installations. It is available for Windows only.

To order a licensed copy of Entire Connection software, go to the following web site:

http://cis.tamu.edu/customer-sales/sell/entire.php

- Click on the **Order Forms for Purchases** link on the left side of the web page.
- Click on the **Departmental Order Form** link and fill out the web form with the required information:
 - Name/department/phone/building and room
 - o Type of PC and operating system
 - Type of network connection
 - Account number to be charged and signature of person with authority for that account
 - Whether you want to install it yourself or take advantage of CIS installation services.

NOTE: The installation can be very tricky, so the added installation service fee of \$50 (for College Station users only) is usually worth it.

• Print the form and mail it with blank CD(s) to:

Texas A&M University
Software Evaluation and Licensing Library, Room 1105
Mail Stop 3363
College Station, TX 77843-3363

Phone: (979) 862-4104 E-Mail: <u>sell@tamu.edu</u>

The form can also be delivered to Room 1105 of the Computing Services Center, sent to Mail Stop 3363, or faxed to (979) 845-2074.

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Documentation Information

Full online documentation is available with the software:

http://www.softwareag.com/corporate/products/natural_2010/default.asp

Hardware/Software Requirements (cont'd)

The following information is taken from Version 4.4.1 of ENTIRE CONNECTION.

Hardware Requirements

PC Type: Any PC capable of running Microsoft Windows.

Disk Space: Approximately 20 MB of free disk space. During installation, additional

40 MB are required in the Temp directory.

Supported Communication Methods

At least one of the following PC-to-host communications boards or modes:

TN3270(E) Telnet VTxxx BS2000 BS2000 TCP/IP

HLLAPI

Serial, SAG-NPA Serial, VTxxx

Microsoft SNA Server VT100 Protocol Converter

BS2000 hardware

Support and Installation Assistance

Technical Support and Installation

For <u>technical support</u> or help with <u>installation settings</u>, please contact:

Software Evaluation and Licensing Library (SELL) (979) 862-4104 E-Mail: sell@tamu.edu

You should refer to the full documentation to complete installation tasks.

Using Entire Connection with FAMIS

If you need help using ENTIRE CONNECTION with FAMIS, call:

FAMIS Hotline (979) 458-6464

Section V Appendix

Instructions

Listed below are general instructions that will make your job easier as you use FAMIS to input or view document information. Please become familiar with the information in this reference as it can make your navigation in FAMIS more efficient.

3270 Emulation Keys

Special keys and key combinations must be used when working with FAMIS. These keys are known as 3270 emulation keys and may be defined differently by each 3270 terminal or PC emulation software that you are using. Contact your computer support person if you do not know how to identify the following keys on your computer.

PF Keys

When a key is listed as **PFn**, PF represents <u>P</u>rogram <u>F</u>unction. Many PCs use the function keys labeled **Fn** for these PF keys. Others have special combinations of keys to represent the PF keys, for example, on a Memorex emulation, a combination of the ALT key and the number 1 will represent the PF1 key.

At the bottom of the FAMIS screens, there are PF keys listed that can assist in the use of the screen. For example, on Screen 104, Voucher Create, the bottom of the screen shows the PF7 with the word 'Bkwd' under it. This means that by pressing the PF7 key, the screen listing will scroll backwards.

TAB and BACKTAB Keys

Use the **TAB** and **BACKTAB** keys on a 3270 terminal to move from field to field. This will position the cursor at the start of each field. Most PCs have a key labeled TAB, while the BACKTAB is a combination of the SHIFT/TAB keys.

Using the arrow keys, instead of the TAB keys, to move around the screen may lock the computer keyboard. Use the RESET key, then the TAB key, to position the cursor and unlock the keyboard.

CLEAR Key

The **CLEAR** key on many PC keyboards is the **PAUSE** key. This key is often used to clear, or refresh, the screen before typing.

RESET Key

After pressing <ENTER> to process data information, note the status bar at the bottom of the screen. When the system is processing information, the symbol "X ()" or \$\mathbb{Z}\$ will appear. You cannot enter additional information until the system is finished processing. If any other symbols appear, press your **RESET** key -- often the **ESCAPE** key on a PC.

ERASE END OF FIELD Key

To erase all the information in a field with one stroke, the **ERASE EOF** key on a 3270 keyboard is helpful. For example, a vendor name is held in context when moving from screen to screen. To change to a different vendor, use this key and the current vendor name in the Action Line will be removed. Now the new vendor name can be input. On most PCs, the correct key to use is the **END** key on the numeric keypad.

HOME Key

From anywhere on the screen, the most efficient way to take the cursor back to the Screen: field on the Action Line is by pressing certain keys. For the 3270 terminals, the correct combination is the **ALT/RULE** keys. On most PCs, the **HOME** key on the numeric keypad will work.

Protected Area

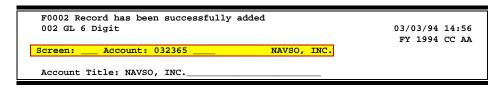
The **Protected Area** is the area of the screen that will not allow the user to enter information. Typing information in the protected area may freeze the screen. Use your **reset** key and then **tab** key to release your system when it freezes.

Action Line/Context

The **Action Line** is usually the first line of information on each screen. The Screen: field is used to navigate from screen to screen by entering the number of the screen desired. Fields such as screen, vendor, voucher number, account, etc. are often found on the Action Line.

Data that is entered on the Action Line will be carried in 'context' from screen to screen until changed. For example, the GL account number 032365 is entered on the Action Line of the screen below. That account will be carried in 'context' until the user keys a different account in the field.

The **<ENTER>** key <u>must</u> be pressed after entering **Action Line** data. If a user does not follow this step, all information entered on the screen may be lost and must be re-entered. After pressing **<ENTER>**, a message will be given at the top of the screen asking for modifications or providing further processing instructions.



Message Line

The line above the Action Line is used to display messages to the user. These messages may be error messages or processing messages, such as the one below.

F6537 Please enter a valid six digit GL account
002 GL 6 Digit 01/20/92 11:26

Scrolling Through Data

Pressing the **<ENTER>** key will scroll through information listed on a screen. On some screens, there are PF keys to use to scroll forward, backward, left and right. These PF keys are displayed at the bottom on the screens with that function.

Help

HELP functions are available for many screen fields in FAMIS. Placing a "?" in the blank beside the desired field and hitting <ENTER> will access a pop-up window with specified field information. Another way is to place your cursor in the desired field and press the F2 key.

To get out of the HELP function, either select a value and press <ENTER> or hit the **PF4** key. The distinction on which key to use will normally be designated in the pop-up window (EX: **PF4** = Exit).

Escaping from a Pop-Up Window

When in a pop-up window, pressing **PF4** will usually take you back to the original screen. There are a few screens when pressing <ENTER> will take you back to the original screen.

Field Help Using the F2 Program Function Key

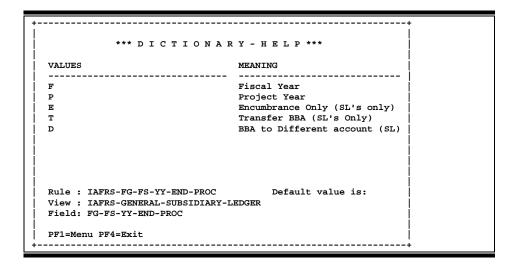
On selected fields, additional information can be displayed using the PF2 key. This HELP information is accessed by moving the cursor to the field in question and pressing the F2 Key.

For example, place the cursor in the Year-end Process: field and press PF2. The first screen displayed explains the purpose of the field. Sometimes you will be shown the values immediately, without a definition or explanation.

Screen 002 - GL 6 Digit

002 GL 6 Digit	06/30/99 10:09
Screen: Account: 014000	FY 1999 CC AM MEDICINE
Account Title: MEDICINE	
Resp Person:	Old Acct: 0284
Year-end Process: F Reclassify:	_ Reporting Group: Aux Code:
AFR Fund Group: 10 Fund Group:	FG Sub Fund Group: Sub-Sub:
Flag to indicate what action to take with balance at year end.	

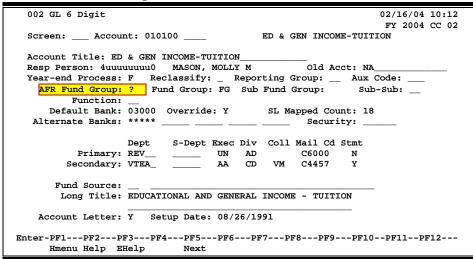
From the definition screen, press <ENTER> to view the valid values for the field.



Question Mark or Asterisk (? or *) Help

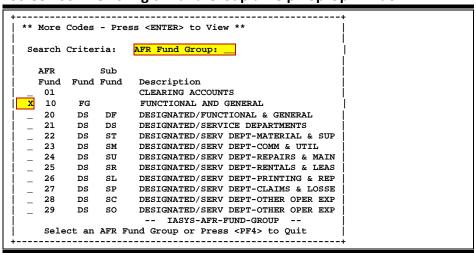
FAMIS also provides information about selected fields through the Question Mark or Asterisk (? or *) Help facility. This HELP information may be accessed by typing a question mark (?) or an asterisk (*) in the field in question and pressing the <ENTER> key.

Screen 002 - GL 6 Digit



A pop-up window is displayed with the valid values for the field. By typing an 'X' next to the desired value and pressing <ENTER> that value is passed to the main screen. This is called the **Passback** feature.

Screen 002 - GL 6 Digit - Fund Group ?-Help Pop-Up Window



Standard PF Keys

PF Keys are used in the FAMIS modules to access additional information. Wherever possible the same assignment has been given to the same PF key, such as PF9 always being the key used for NOTES. Occasionally this has not been possible and a different assignment has been made.

The following list is to help you identify the functionality behind the PF keys that you will see on the many screens in FAMIS.

Many screens have extended information windows assigned to various function keys that are designated at the bottom of each screen or pop-up window. Placing the cursor (using the cursor arrow keys) on a particular line and pressing the extended information function key will display the pop-up window information for the document or item on that line.

To exit a pop-up window, press <PF4> to return to the previous window or inquiry screen. If multiple windows have been opened pressing <PF3> will return you directly to the screen where you started.

From within many of the pop-up window an additional set of extended function keys may appear to further inquire on the document or item.

Extended Function Keys

Bkwd Backwards

Advances <u>backward</u> to the previous screen or scrolls one page back for an item.

Frwd Forward

Advances <u>forward</u> to the next screen or scrolls one page forward for an item.

Left Scroll Left

Some windows are made up of several adjacent panels. These will be designated by the word **Panel:** ## appearing in the window. Pressing this key scrolls the panel to the <u>left</u>.

More Desc More Description

Displays complete description text for a document or an item.

Appendix - Standard PF Keys (cont'd)

Next Screen

Advances to the next screen required.

Notes Notes

Displays any notes attached to the document header. Use the Position at Line: field to start the text at a particular line. The Page (F/B/E): field scrolls $\underline{\mathbf{F}}$ orward, and $\underline{\mathbf{B}}$ ackwards through the text, or $\underline{\mathbf{E}}$ nd to exit the window.

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F0013 Please enter desired modifications
P600026 1.0 Position at line: _____

Line ******** Note Text ********

1 >>Notes Entered 10/12/95 BY CARSON, CARL C____

2 THE DEPARTMENT REQUESTS TO REVIEW ALL BIDS____

3 PRIOR TO THE AWARD.____

4

5 CONTACT DR. WILL W. WADDLESWORK FOR FURTHER___

6 DETAILS/CLARIFICATION ABOUT THE REQUESTED____

7 ITEMS.____

8

9

10

11

12

PF4=Exit PF7=PItem PF8=NItem Page (F/B/E): ____
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Right Scroll Right

Some windows are made up of several adjacent panels. These will be designated by the word Panel: ## appearing in the window. Pressing this key scrolls the panel to the right.

Glossary

A

Account

A functional unit, identified by an account ID, which serves a particular accounting purpose where one person has primary responsibility for it. Accounts may include balance sheets (GL accounts) and revenue/expenditure accounts (SL accounts).

Account Control

The last four digits in the account number for a General Ledger account. The account control designates a specific asset, liability, fund balance, fund addition, fund deduction or summary control.

AUTOEXEC.BAT

The batch file containing commands loaded during the start up of the computer. This file contains normal DOS commands and may be used for additional system configuration, such as setting paths and variables.

D DOS

A single-user operating system designed by Microsoft Corp.

Download

To transfer data from one computer to another. The term download refers to transfer from a larger host system (usually a mainframe) to a smaller client system (usually a microcomputer).

Encumbrance

An obligation incurred in the form of a purchase order or contract. Also referred to as an open commitment.

Ethernet

A local area network transmission technology.

F FAMIS

Financial Accounting Management Information System. FAMIS is an accounting system that responds to financial regulations applicable to educational institutions.

File

A storage area established within a computer system or data base for the purpose of organizing similar kinds of data.

Function Key

Allows access to extended account and/or document information in FAMIS. Also called PF Keys.

General Ledger (GL)

A balance sheet account for the institution. All GL account numbers begin with "0" (zero).

H Hardware

The physical components of a computer.

HLLAPI

High Level Language Application Programming Interface.

Host

A computer to which one connects using a terminal emulator (such as ENTIRE CONNECTION).

M

Menu

A screen containing a list of available processes, screens or other menus.

N

NATURAL

The programming language used to write FAMIS.

.NCF File

Contains information about ENTIRE CONNECTION download procedures including: the name of the file the information was downloaded into, the date and time of the download, and the status of the download.

NET3270

A 3270 terminal emulation software package necessary to provide security to regular Ethernet users wanting to use ENTIRE CONNECTION.

Object Code

A four-digit number identifying specific items of revenue/expense or attribute records.

Open Commitment

See Encumbrance.

S Software

Computer programs, as opposed to the computers on which they run (i.e. the "hardware").

Subcode

Four digits appended to the account ID to identify attributes and dollar records within an account.

Subsidiary Ledger

Revenue and expenditure accounts for the institution. All SL account numbers begin with a ledger number of 1 through 9.

T TCP/IP

Transmission Control Protocol over Internet Protocol.

Terminal Emulator

A program that allows a computer to act like a particular type of terminal (i.e. a 3270 terminal). The computer then appears as a terminal of the host computer and accepts the same escape sequences/commands as functions.

Update Screen

A screen that allows a user to enter data for updating the files.

